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**Metro Health to Provide Booster Shots of Pfizer Vaccine at the Alamodome to Eligible Individuals Beginning September 29 Following FDA and CDC Approval**

**SAN ANTONIO (September 28, 2021)** – Metro Health will offer booster shots of the Pfizer vaccine to individuals, ages 65 and older, as well as adults, 18 and older, considered to be at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 starting Wednesday, September 29. This follows recent approval by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and recommendation by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC).

Eligible individuals can get a booster shot at the Alamodome drive-thru vaccine clinic from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays. No appointment is needed; however, individuals can also visit [covid19.sanantonio.gov](https://covid19.sanantonio.gov) to make an appointment. Booster doses will also be given at all Metro Health vaccine pop-up clinics.

Individuals who go to the Alamodome for a booster shot are required to bring their immunization cards to confirm completion of their vaccine series to receive a third dose of the Pfizer vaccine for extra protection from COVID-19. The third dose is to be given six months after a person has been fully vaccinated, according to CDC guidance.

“Although we will provide booster shots to eligible people at the Alamodome, we want to remind the public they can get a booster shot at their doctor’s office, pharmacies and from other medical providers,” said Claude A. Jacob, Metro Health Director. “I also want to remind everyone of the importance of beginning their vaccine series. You are 10 times more likely to be hospitalized due to COVID-19 if you are unvaccinated. Please take the time to get vaccinated to protect yourself and your loved ones.”

On September 22, the FDA approved booster shots for people, 65 and older, and other adults who are at risk of serious illness or complications from the coronavirus. The recommendation by the CDC’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices supporting the FDA’s decision followed on September 23.

The CDC recommends booster shots for the following:

- Individuals, 65 years and older, and residents in long-term care settings **should** receive a booster shot of Pfizer vaccine at least six months after their Pfizer primary series.
- Individuals, ages 50–64, with [underlying medical conditions](#) **should** receive a booster shot of Pfizer vaccine at least six months after their Pfizer primary series.
- Individuals, ages 18–49, with [underlying medical conditions](#) **may** receive a booster shot of Pfizer vaccine at least six months after their Pfizer primary series based on their individual benefits and risks.
- Individuals, ages 18-64, who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting **may** receive a booster shot of Pfizer vaccine at least six months after their Pfizer primary series based on their individual benefits and risks.

Please note that booster shots are not eligible for Metro Health's H-E-B gift card incentive program.

For more information or to find a COVID-19 vaccine pop-up clinic, visit [www.covid19.sanantonio.gov](http://www.covid19.sanantonio.gov).

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